

## Message Text

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O R 121152Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MOPS, LE, IS  
SUBJ: CLUSTER BOMBS

REF: (A) BEIRUT 2016, (B) DAO DAMASCUS 111550Z MAR 78

1. FURTHER TO REFTEL A, WE HAVE ASCERTAINED THAT LOCALLY PRODUCED PHOTOGRAPHS (BY AN NAHAR ARABIC DAILY) WERE TAKEN ON APRIL 9 SOMEWHERE NEAR HASBAYA (ARKOUB). PHOTOGRAPHER UNFORTUNATELY IS HIMSELF FROM THE SOUTH AND CANNOT BE REACHED AT THE PRESENT TIME TO VERIFY EXACTLY WHERE PHOTOGRAPHS WERE TAKEN. AN NAHAR HAD REPORTED THAT CANNISTERS WERE FOUND IN THE ARKOUB AND THE HASBANI RIVER BED.

2. PRO-SYRIAN AS-SHARK REPORTED TWO PALESTINIAN AREAS  
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(PROBABLY REFUGEE CAMPS) NEAR TYRE WERE HIT BY CLUSTER BOMBS. (THIS TRACKS WITH ACCOUNT IN REFTEL B.)

3. MOST SPECIFIC PRESS REPORT WAS IN IKE, WHICH PLACED ONE PHOTOGRAPH WHICH IT CARRIED AT KAHR TIBNIT (NORTH OF LITANI RIVER, 4 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF NABATIYEH.)

4. COMMENT: EVIDENCE SUGGESTS ISRAELIS USED CLUSTER  
BOMBS IN WIDELY SCATTERED LOCATIONS. PARKER

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